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1. On 23 February, a meeting of top Chinese Communist, Soviet, and North Korean leaders was held in P'yongyang and the following decisions were made:

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- a. By mid-April, the bulk of the North Korean army units in the center and west are to move to the eastern front. All Chinese Communist units on the eastern front are to move to the center and west.¹ All local police guard units in the center and west are to move to a line 60 kilometers behind the front.
- b. All civilians between the present battle line and 80 kilometers to the rear are to be moved to the Kanggye area.
- c. All males of draft age are to be placed in training camps by mid-April, and will be incorporated in the North Korean Army by June 1952.

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2. The recent reorganization of the North Korean Army, called the Fifth Term Training,² was 90 percent completed by 24 March. During the reorganization, 30,000 ROK prisoners of war were trained at Sinuiju, Uiju, Pakch'on (125-35, 39-44) (YE-2101), Hoeryong (129-45, 42-26) (EB-6298), and Kapsan (128-17, 41-05) (DA-4048), and were integrated into North Korean units.

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1. Comment. According to information available to this office, as of January and February, 1952 the Chinese Communist and North Korean units

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were disposed in the locations mentioned; possibly the decisions referred to the North Korean reserve units, the IV, V, and VII Corps, which were in the western and eastern sections and the Chinese Communist reserve units which were in the center.

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2. Comment. The Fifth Term Training is the fifth general reorganization of the North Korean Armed Forces since 1947.

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